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COFFEE FARMERS SHIPPED CREAM WORTH \$25,625.60

Comparatively Small Number of Coffee County Farmers Demonstrate Great Possibilities of Dairying in This Section.

In checking up on cream shipments from Coffee County, I find that 21 farmers shipped cream from Enterprise the week before Christmas and 13 shipped from New Brockton the same week. It was informed that none is being shipped from Elba. The two places shipped 449 gallons that week. Figure at 8 pounds to the gallon would be 3592 pounds. If this cream made an average test of 30 per cent, which no doubt it did, would be 1232 pounds butter fat sold. Figuring this at 40 cents per pound butter fat, (it is not that price just at this time, but farmers have averaged that much for the past 12 months) would bring to these 34 farmers \$492.80 for this one week. Figuring this as a basis for the year, multiplying \$492.80 by 52 weeks would mean that they had sold \$25,625.60 worth of cream the past year. Now to average this would mean that the 34 farmers shipping this cream received \$753.66 each. Not so bad you might say, but this only represents a handful of farmers. The 1925 census says Coffee County has 1546 farmers operating their own farms. Let us see what it would mean if every farmer who operates his own farm would do what these 34 farmers have averaged doing. That would mean 1546 times \$753.66, or \$1,165,153.36. This begins to look like money, and might look foolish to figure on such a thing, but it is entirely possible and the county would be in much better condition if this very thing was done.

With most of these farmers this is not considered a part of the crop but just a side line or an added income to the main crops. This only represents the cream sold—it does not say anything about what is used at home, such as skimmed milk for pigs and other domestic manure to be put back on the farm. There are many things to consider in going into this business, but I'm going to name four, either one of which if left out will mean failure; namely: desire, work, permanent pasture and home grown feed. I am convinced that there is no more reason for farmers of Coffee County not having these four qualifications than farmers of any other locality.

W. M. RAY, County Agent.

Elba High School Has Basketball Team

Coach Paul Morgan is rapidly whipping a likely lot of more or less raw recruits into what promises to be a creditable basketball team. Basketball has not been played very extensively in Elba for the past few years, and consequently this material here is mostly quite "green," but Coach Morgan has the knack of being able to take inexperienced players and mould them into a smooth-working machine. This was thoroughly demonstrated the past year when he built up a winning football combination out of what was considered unusually unpromising material at the beginning of the football season.

The basketball team is putting in some strenuous practice and will soon be ready for an active campaign. A schedule has not been completed, but games with some strong teams are in prospect.

Mrs. Willie Michel and son, Hoehn, and Mr. George Sims were visitors at Jacksonville, Fla., the latter part of last week.

Dorsey Sez:

Visit the showing of the beautiful new body lines of the New Ford now on display.

all of my experience and observation I have never noticed or heard of a pig injuring himself while swimming.

W. M. BRUNSON.

Program And Policies— Coffee Co. Health Dept.

Feeling that the control of communicable diseases is our most important duty, this part of our work will take precedence over all others. When the existence of a communicable disease in the county is reported to us, we will institute as early as possible the control measures as recommended by the State Board of Health.

Weekly routine as follows: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday we will be doing work in the schools of the county. At Elba office Wednesday 9:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m. Saturday from 9:00 a. m. to 12:00 noon, either Health Officer or Nurse will be at Enterprise office from 8:00 to 12:00 noon.

We are giving Typhoid-Antitoxin for the prevention of Diphtheria to children from 6 months to 9 years of age, and urge that you bring your children to either of the above places at time stated if you would like to protect them against this disease. We will also give Typhoid Vaccine at these times and places.

We invite you to come in and discuss with us anything that you feel is a public health problem in our county, and ask that you co-operate with us in making your Health Unit worth the most possible to the citizenship of the county.

Coffee County Health Department.
W. A. STANLEY,
County Health Officer.

W. M. Brunson Says "Sure, They Can Swim."

Recent editorials in the New York Evening World and the Montgomery Advertiser have agitated the widespread argument as to whether a hog or pig can swim. There is a wide divergence of opinion regarding the matter in this community. During the flood last March, the question was argued pro and con, with the ones who claimed that a hog would cut its throat with its fore hoofs when swimming, seemingly in the majority.

Mr. W. M. Brunson, who should be recognized as authority answers the aforementioned editorials as follows:

"Your editorial, appearing on December 20, headed 'Can a Pig Swim,' was read by the writer, but with great surprise. I am also surprised at the statement made by The New York Evening World concerning this query.

"In answer to your question, I would like to say to you that a pig can swim. And in answer to your query as to whether or not a pig in swimming will cut his own throat, I say to you that he will not.

"During the March flood which visited the City of Elba, Alabama, I observed a very large hog on the water was pushing him from his pen. This hog weighed about 600 pounds and he swam from one place to another for more than an hour. He could swim even against the swift current much more successfully than a man could. I helped to drag him upon a drift in an effort to save him after he had been swimming for quite a while and there was not a sign of injury about him.

"I have observed, down on the Gulf, that many pigs hang around the fishing places and where there is a fish-house out over the water the pigs will swim out under the house and even dive down to the bottom of the water in order to catch the scraps of fish. These pigs are unusually good swimmers and can stay under the water for quite a long time.

"Old settlers in this section who have pastures adjoining streams learned many years ago that their hogs, and even the small pigs, are able to swim the streams, and in fact are very good swimmers.

I want somebody up in beat ten to wake Dr. Bragg up. He is in great need of some fine Jersey cows and we have them spotted for him but for some reason unknown to the writer, he does not come across. Dr. Bragg is not only a good Doctor, but he owns a lot of land and all his land is good for livestock. Of all the big land owners in the county, Dr. Bragg is the one who should cater to good cows. So somebody give him a push. After he gets started, then let the folks in that community be getting some of his thoroughbred cattle.

I am giving you below an article which is not my own but I hope you will enjoy it.

In order that she may begin the period of lactation in good physical condition, it is desirable that the cow be given a rest of six or eight weeks previous to freshening. The length of rest period is determined not by any hard and fast rule, but rather by the amount of time necessary to put the cow in good condition.

By the way, Dan Brooks, Jr., has more rabbits than he once had. I remember correctly, he had only three the last time I wrote about him, but today he owns nine and he has not bought a single

THE ELBA CLIPPER

ELBA, ALABAMA, THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1930



Happy New Year!

"THE COW PEN"

A Corner To Be Used Exclusively For the Promotion of Plan To Locate Better Cows In This County
BY W. M. BRUNSON

Well, well, the Cow Pen was not able to get out last week, which was due to the fact that we had a Christmas jammed right up in the middle of the week. Several have asked me why I could not get my article in the paper, but for fear some one might not correctly understand, or even worse, still some one might attempt to measure my corn by his own basket, I will not go into saying anything more about why or how it happened.

Calves have been mighty scarce for the last few weeks, but we started this week off fine by getting three on Monday. Only one of them was a heifer and it went to Cleve Wilson, and he also took one of the male calves. The two cost Cleve nine dollars and if he will push the male he can sell it for nine dollars by the time he shuts up his cows and in that way he will have his heifer free. He certainly did get a fine heifer and I know that it will make him a fine cow.

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Small Fire Monday Night At Peanut Mill

The shavings house and shed over the boiler at the Boyd & Murphy Peanut mill was damaged by fire Monday night about eleven-thirty o'clock. The alarm was turned in and local fire fighters responded and extinguished the blaze. The damage will not be more than two or three hundred dollars.

MISS MORGAN GAVE BRIDGE PARTY—

As a happy conclusion of the holiday festivities for the young social set, Miss Louise Morgan entertained at a bridge and slumber party Saturday evening.

Games were played at eight tables, after which the guests were invited into the dining room, where cake and coffee were served.

Miss Louise Tucker, Hilta Stephens, Doris Whitman, Eleanor Connor, Louise Mitchell and Madeline Strain remained for the slumber party. At the midnight hour a bounteous feast was spread.

Miss Nell Brock was hostess at one of the most delightful of the holiday parties, at her home last Thursday evening.

The home was attractively decorated with a profusion of greenery and cut flowers.

Games were played until a late hour. The hostess served an ice cream to about thirty boys and girls.

Misses Mildred and Katherine Lee were visitors in Andalusia Sunday.

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Mrs. Annie King and daughter, Miss Anita, who are members of the Andalusia faculty, were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lee and family.

Seven Alabama Banks Close During Last Year

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 30.—In a report of the State Bank Department for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1929, copies of which are now available at the office of the State Superintendent of Banks D. F. Green, it is shown that during that period seven state banks closed, the first on April 15 and the last on July 8, and that one of these, the Bank of Blountville, reopened on September 16.

It is also shown that within the same space of time, three banks were absorbed by other banks; two were authorized to do a trust business, two increased their capital stock, one decreased its capital stock, fourteen renewed their charters for a period of 20 years, and that charters were granted to four new banks.

Receipts and disbursements of the banking department for the fiscal year are shown as follows: Receipts, fees from Federal Reserve Bank for furnishing copies of examinations to member banks, \$45; filing fees paid by newly organized banks, \$400; annual assessment on banks under Section 6287 of the Code of Alabama, \$18,637.28; total, \$19,152.28. Disbursements, salaries, \$34,360.42; traveling expenses, \$5,722.57; members banking board, attendance fee, \$150; members banking board, traveling expense, \$34.35; total, \$40,477.37.

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Man And Wife Killed In Accident Near Samsom

Presumably blinded by bright lights of an approaching car and being an inexperienced driver, too, John Atkinson ran off the graded road near the Morris farm settlement with his Ford car, Monday night, and the whole party was thrown into a large ditch, in which Mr. Atkinson and his wife were presumably drowned, while Mrs. Atkinson's daughter, Mrs. Rosalie Davis, was severely injured. Other occupants of the car, Mr. and Mrs. Ammons, and a 13-year-old boy, escaped with minor injuries.

Mrs. Ammons stated that she, with Mrs. Atkinson and Mrs. Davis, was on the back seat and had not noticed anything amiss nor paid any attention to the approaching car, when suddenly the Ford left the road and overturned. She was caught under the car, but was extricated by her husband, who also got the others out. Mrs. Ammons said that she was not in the water except the back of her head. It was just about good dark, Mrs. Ammons said, when the accident happened.

It is evident that Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson were stunned by the accident, as the water was only about knee-deep, according to people who claimed to know about the place. The party of unfortunate people was from Point Washington, Fla., and was on its way to Samsom to visit Mr. and Mrs. H. L. McDuffie on North Line Street. Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson formerly resided in Samsom, it is said, leaving here some 14 or 15 years ago to make their home in Florida.—Samsom Ledger.

ALABAMA UTILITIES COMPANY IS NAME OF NEW COMPANY

Ala. Utilities Co., River Falls Power Co., Opp Power & Light Co., Andalusia Light & Power Co. and Pea River Power Co. Merged.

The Pea River Power Company and other companies operating in this section of the state have been merged into one organization to be known as the Alabama Utilities Company, according to announcement made today in the advertising columns of The Clipper.

The merger has been under way for several weeks, and while it will not affect the operation of the local power plant, officials of the company feel that by operating as one big organization better service can be rendered to patrons. The territory covered includes Elba, Troy, Brundidge, Opp, Samsom, Kinross, Andalusia and other towns in the western part of the state.

The complete rebuilding of all distribution systems in the several towns now being served and the rebuilding of high voltage lines connecting the various plants and towns will give this section one of the very best electric systems possible to build. The company is also opening new merchandising stores in the towns served.

According to the announcement no changes are anticipated in the management or personnel of the local organization.

The POULTRY YARD

A Department Devoted To Building Up the Poultry Industry In Coffee County
BY J. F. BRUNSON

LAST YEAR * * * DID YOU GET THEM ON TIME?
YOU WERE LUCKY * * * if you got your chicks on time last year.

While egg prices were climbing rapidly during the past three months, many poultry raisers could do nothing but hope that their pullets would start laying before the prices would tumble. It was discouraging to find empty nest boxes when eggs were bringing 50 cents and better on local markets.

These folks brought this plight upon themselves. They took their good natured time about ordering baby chicks last year. But an unexpected thing occurred, and there was a shortage of chicks. They had to wait two, three, or even four weeks and more for their chicks. Were you one of them?

Time lost during the late fall and early winter months can never be made up. Your flock must produce eggs in these months if they are to show a good profit. One November egg is worth two or three April and May eggs.

DO CHICK SHOPPING NOW! One way to make sure you will have eggs next fall and winter when they are worth real cash, is to do your chick shopping now. Make your decision as to what chicks you want, give your order to the hatchery, advising what future date you wish them shipped. For the laying breeds of chickens, that is the white leghorn and Kinross breeds, I would suggest shipment the first day of March. Larger breeds should be shipped earlier.

During the year 1928 Mr. Ruby Ables netted a profit of \$3,682.00 from 1,016 white leghorn hens. His farm consisted of 80 acres owned and 135 acres rented land. This property is situated in the Ozark mountains, in South Missouri. This man learned to use his lead pencil as mentioned in one of our previous articles. In 1928 he was carrying from 150 to 200 hens, raised principally grains on his farm, and fed hogs, also milked six or eight short-horn cows. In keeping his records he observed at the end of the year that his flock of chickens was giving him a larger profit on a percentage basis than other operations on the farm. Consequently, he decided to devote his part to increase the poultry end of his business, as his best profit was coming from his chickens, hence this is the reason he is today running a good sized poultry business. And too, his dairy business was good, so his item also increased with his poultry.

If you are interested in poultry let me suggest that you take some poultry journal, secure all periodicals you can from Auburn, study the poultry business closely, and what others are doing, understand their equipment and plans of running their business. Then if you wish to enter this line of business begin on a small scale and be sure of your footings, and I assure you there is no reason in the world why you should not succeed. I can give you a trial nine-months subscription to the Poultry Tribune for only 25 cents. If you are interested in poultry, the January issue is worth the price.

If you are preparing to order chicks in the near future let me insist that you get the highest breed possible. Secure the chick that has been bred to lay just as you would in selecting a cow to give rich milk. You can buy all kinds of chicks and all kinds of cows, but the best will cost more than the average. Don't be satisfied with a common stock. If I can help you give me a call.

Attorney C. W. Simmons, of Opp, was a business visitor at Elba Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Rowe and son, Bonneau, returned to their home in Selma Sunday after spending several days with relatives in Elba.

BLEED THROUGH

Quick Relief for Coughing Spells

Famous Prescription Stops Them Almost Instantly

The phenomenal success of a

doctor's famous prescription called

Thosine is due to its double action

of the ingredients, and as such it

still figures in the calendars of cer-

tain branches of the church.

Other religious fasts, such as

the Mohammedan and Jewish, have

their own calendars, with distinc-

tive holidays and festivals, in which

their New Year's Day has a cor-

responding significance to that of

Christianity.

Among all it is considered an

appropriate day for reviewing the

events of the previous year, the

making of new resolves and the

adoption of plans for the future.

It is also the occasion for the ex-

pression of good wishes. We join

in the spirit of the day in wishing

all a Happy New Year.

PROHIBITION DEATHS

This list included both law viola-

tors and enforcement officers re-

ported to be the total of fatalities

recorded since the Volstead Act be-

came effective, nearly 10 years ago.

Regardless of one's views con-

cerning prohibition, it is deplorable

that its enforcement should be ac-

companied by such a loss of human

lives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Morgan

and relatives.

She was too kind, too great, too

fair.

To dwell in this cold world of care,

The friends were so numerous that

we saw them wherever we

looked.

And found them to fill an immense

book.

Wherever we looked we found a

friend.

And we thought it was now, and

then we could only think of

the treatment we should have

to live, and then—

She lived a life that we all would

have lived.

—S. A. Bryan.

"A day in 1930 is perhaps equiv-

alent to ten of the thirteenth cen-

tury,"—Dr. H. Jaworski.

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

COFFEE COUNTY.

Default having been made in the

payment of the debt secured by

certain mortgages, executed on

the 11th day of March, 1929, in

favor of A. N. Williams and husband, A. A.

Williams, to First National Bank

of Elba, which said mortgage is

recorded in the office of the Judge

of Probate of Coffee County, Ala-

bama, Elba Division, in Book of

Mortgages 2-A, page 2, the under-

signed mortgage, First National

Bank of Elba, under and by virtue

of the powers of sale and foreclo-

sure contained in said mortgage,

will, in foreclosure of said mort-

gage, offer for sale at auction, for

cash, in front of the Courthouse

door in Elba, Alabama, within the

legal hours of sale, to the highest

bidder for cash, on Saturday, Feb-

ruary 1, 1930, the following de-

scribed lands conveyed in said

mortgage, to-wit:

Beginning at the southeast

corner of the N 1/2 of the NE

1/4 and running west along line

between G. O. Parker and W.

T. Beckham to the Elba and

Holly, and the 95th is Jack-

son A. Ganter. The pay of the

Privates was \$11.00, and B. W.

Starks is the witness they received

their pay. They were mustered

in the service July 4th, '61, for

the war at Elba.

Mosley died at Greenville, Tex-

as, in 1878. I married his eldest

daughter, Bettie, in 1874. Who of

the Company is on this side of

the "River?"

E. B. Featherston, Aspermont,

Texas.

Records Tell Facts About Dairy Herds

AUBURN, Ala., Dec. 30.—"Like

a searchlight, the dairy herd im-

provement association pierces the

dense darkness that prevails so

generally regarding the records of

our dairy cows," reads the open-

ing sentence of what is said to be

a highly informative and intensely

interesting bulletin written by J.

C. McDowell, of the United States

Bureau of Dairy Industry, on the

subject of improvement associa-

tions and "stories the records tell."

It is expected that the owners

of 9,026 Alabama cows which are

on test in seven such associations

will be interested in the bulletin.

Others will also find it valuable,

according to C. M. Ling, herd im-

provement specialist at the Alaba-

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